

Pamphlet

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(English)



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- ❖ The Holy Quran contains the commandment to remember the Ayyamullah (days of Allah ﷻ). (Part 13, Ibraheem, verse 5, summarized) and among the days of Allah ﷻ, the most sacred day is the Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ because all other days were dignified by virtue of this auspicious day.
- ❖ The Holy Quran commands us to celebrate the blessings of Allah ﷻ. (Part 11, Yunus, verse 58) and this is the Holy Quran that proclaims the Holy Prophet ﷺ to be the blessing of Allah ﷻ for the whole universe. (Part 17, Al-Anbiya, verse 107) It became obvious that celebrating Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ is actually obedience to the command of the Holy Quran. (Izaaqa-tul-Aasaam, pp. 96)
- ❖ Our Beloved and Blessed Prophet ﷺ would celebrate his Blessed Birthday by observing fast on Mondays. Sayyiduna Qatadah رضى الله تعالى عنه said that the Holy Prophet ﷺ was asked as to why he ﷺ fasted on Mondays. The Holy Prophet ﷺ replied, 'I was born on this day and the revelation descended upon me on the same day.' (Sahih Muslim, pp. 591, Hadees 198)
- ❖ After the death of Abu Lahab, some of his family members dreamed him in trouble. They asked how he was treated after death. He replied, 'I did not receive any goodness after leaving you.' Then indicating towards the hole at underside of his thumb, he said, 'Except this as I am fed with water from this because I freed my slave girl, Suwaybah.' (Musannaf 'Abdur Razzaq, vol. 9, pp. 9, Hadees 16661; 'Umda-tul-Qaari, vol. 14, pp. 44, Hadees 5101) ❖ Commenting on the foregoing narration, Sayyiduna Shaykh 'Abdul Haq Muhaddis Dihlvi رضى الله تعالى عنه has stated, 'In this incident there is credible evidence for those who celebrate the Blessed Birth of the Noble Prophet ﷺ and spend their wealth on this auspicious occasion. Abu Lahab, who was an unbeliever, was benefited due to rejoicing and freeing his slave girl, Suwaybah in order to breastfeed, upon hearing the news of the Blessed Birth of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. Now imagine how great the reward will be for the Muslim spending his wealth whole-heartedly on this occasion. However, it is necessary to avoid songs and music in Milad gatherings.' (Madarij-un-Nubuwwah, vol. 2, pp. 19)
- ❖ **What is celebration of Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ?** The celebration of the Blessed Birth of the Holy Prophet ﷺ is an auspicious congregation in which the incidents of excellence, miracles, traits, blessed life and its conditions, fosterage and the commencement of Prophethood of the Holy Prophet ﷺ are delivered from authentic books. (Sabl-ul-Huda, vol. 1, pp. 363, summarized) ❖ Sadr-ush-Shari'ah, Mufti Muhammad Amjad 'Ali A'zami رضى الله تعالى عنه has stated, 'The narrations (miracles and excellence etc. of the Holy Prophet ﷺ) are also mentioned in Ahadees and the Holy Quran. If the Muslims deliver these narrations in their congregation or if they particularly hold a congregation to deliver such narrations, there exist no reason to declare these congregations impermissible. Inviting people to attend such congregation is inviting them towards goodness. The way announcements are made for speeches and congregations, advertisements are published and distributed, articles are published in newspapers, and the speeches and congregations are not declared to be impermissible for these reasons, in the same way, this Majlis [i.e. the celebration of Blessed Birth of the Holy Prophet ﷺ] of blessed Zikr cannot be declared impermissible and innovation in religion if invitations are sent out for it. (Bahar-e-Shari'at, vo. 3, pp. 644)
- ❖ **Commandment to celebrate Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ:** According to the doctrine of Ahl-e-Sunnat, the blessed gathering of Milad is one of the most excellent acts of Mustahabbat [commendable] and one of the most superior acts of Mustahsanaat (virtuous act) (Al-Haq-ul-Mubeen, pp. 100)
- ❖ **The excellence and blessings of celebrating Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ:** Those who celebrate the Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ, gain countless religious and worldly blessings from Allah ﷻ, as Sayyiduna Imam 'Abdur Rahman Ibn Jawzi رضى الله تعالى عنه has stated, 'This happiness will become a shield to protect the one from Hell who expresses his joy and delight on Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ, the one who spends one dirham feeling happy for Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ, the Holy Prophet ﷺ will intercede for him and Allah ﷻ will reward him with ten dirhams in return for his one dirham. O Ummah of the Beloved Prophet! May this be good news for you that you have been declared to be deserving of abundance of blessings in

the world and the Hereafter. The one celebrating Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ will be granted respect, blessing, goodness and glory, he will enter the Heaven wearing a turban of pearls and green robe, he will be granted countless palaces and there will be a Heavenly maiden in each palace. Recite Salat-‘Alan-Nabi ﷺ in abundance and make it widely known by celebrating the Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. (*Majmu’ Lateef-un-Nabi*, pp. 281) ♦ Hafiz-ul-Hadees Imam Abul Khayr Muhammad Bin ‘Abdur Rahman Sakhaawi رحمه الله تعالى عليه has stated, ‘Great blessings are showered upon the people by virtue of the act of celebrating the Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. (Sabl-ul-Huda, vol. 1, pp. 363) ♦ Sayyiduna Imam Ahmad Bin Muhammad Qastalani رحمه الله تعالى عليه has stated, ‘Among the benefits of holding Milad in the month of sacred birth of the Holy Prophet ﷺ, it is proven benefit that the year turns out to be peaceful. May Allah عزوجل have mercy upon the person who has conceived of nights of birth-month of the Holy Prophet ﷺ as Eid.’ (*Mawahib-ul-Ladunniyyah*, vol. 1, pp. 148) ♦ The saints, in their discourses have conveyed good news of Heaven for the people who celebrate Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. ♦ Shaykh-e-Muhaqqiq Shah ‘Abdul Haq Muhaddis Dihlvi رحمه الله تعالى عليه has stated, ‘The reward for those who celebrate night of the Blessed Birth of Beloved Prophet ﷺ is, that Allah عزوجل will grant them entrance to Jannat-un-Na’eem by His blessing and mercy. The Muslims have always been holding Milad gatherings, giving abundance of charity and alms preparing and giving feasts, to celebrate the Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ. Expressing their sheer joy, they go to great expense, decorate their homes, hold gatherings to do the Zikr of the Blessed Birth of the Holy Prophet ﷺ and the blessings of Allah عزوجل are showered upon them by virtue of all these glorious deeds. (*Ma-Sabata min-As-Sunnah*, pp. 74, summarized)

Sayings of scholars and the Muhaddiseen

- ♦ Sayyiduna Imam ‘Abdur Rahman Ibn Jawzi رحمه الله تعالى عليه has stated, ‘This act (i.e. celebrating the Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ) contains humiliation for Satan and strength for true believers.’ (*Sabl-ul-Huda*, vol. 1, pp. 363)
- ♦ Imam Jalaluddin ‘Abdur Rahman Suyuti رحمه الله تعالى عليه has stated, ‘The one celebrating the Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ gains Sawab (rewards), for the celebration is an expression of joy and reverence to the Holy Prophet ﷺ.’ (*Al-Haawi lil-Fatawa*, vol. 1, pp. 222)
- ♦ The commentator of *Sahih Bukhari*, Sayyiduna Ahmad Bin Hajr ‘Asqalani رحمه الله تعالى عليه has stated, ‘It is commendable for us to hold a congregation on the Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ to express our gratitude, give feast, carry out other virtuous acts and express our sheer joy.’ (*Al-Haawi lil-Fatawa*, vol. 1, pp. 230)
- ♦ Sayyiduna Abu Musa Zarhooni رحمه الله تعالى عليه beheld the Holy Prophet ﷺ in his dream, he رحمه الله تعالى عليه humbly enquired about holding a congregation in celebration of Milad, the Beloved Prophet ﷺ replied, ‘مَنْ فَرِحَ بِرَبِّيَ فَرِحْتُ بِهِ’ i.e. *I get pleased with the one who gets pleased with me.* (*Sabl-ul-Huda*, vol. 1, pp. 363)
- ♦ Read the abridged Madani pearls extracted from the booklet, ‘*The Dawn of Blessings*’ authored by Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat, founder of Dawat-e-Islami, ‘Allamah Maulana Abu Bilal Muhammad Ilyas Attar Qadiri دامنه بر كائناتهم العاليه:

 1. Holy Prophet ﷺ would celebrate his Blessed Birthday by observing fast on Mondays. You should also observe fast on 12th Rab-ul-‘Awwal in the blessed memory of the Beloved and Blessed Prophet ﷺ.
 2. Take bath in the evening of the 11th or on the 12th night of Rabi’-un-Noor. If possible, buy everything new with the intention of reverence for the greatest of all Eids [i.e. the Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ].
 3. Do not do anything that violates human rights in celebration of Blessed Birthday of the Beloved and Blessed Prophet ﷺ.
 4. On the happy occasion of the Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ, all the Islamic brothers and Islamic sisters should make an intention to spend their lives in compliance with sacred Sunnah.
 5. On the happy occasion of the Blessed Birthday of the Holy Prophet ﷺ, hoist the green flags at Masajid, homes, shops. Illuminate immense lights but in a legal way by dealing legitimately with the power supply company.
 6. In the Milad procession, try to remain in the state of Wudu as long as possible. Offer Salah with Jama’at.

(For further details, read the booklet ‘*The Dawn of Blessings*’ authored by Ameer-e-Ahl-e-Sunnat, ‘Allamah Maulana Abu Bilal Muhammad Ilyas Attar Qadiri دامنه بر كائناتهم العاليه.)

In order to lead a Sunnah-conforming life and getting steadfast in carrying out virtuous deeds, affiliate yourself with Madani environment of Dawat-e-Islami.